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1. The following were present:

Dr. Appleton
Mr. Clinton
Lt. Col. Kiel
Lt. Col. Rogers
Major Rush

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CIA (Chairman)

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2. The Chairman announced that the name of the NIS Division of the Office of Research and Reports (O/RR) had been changed to "Basic Intelligence Division (D/B)" and that the new name would be used hereafter on NIS matters.

3. The members were informed that the memorandum setting forth the views of the Committee regarding the NIS production program was being submitted, thru channels, to the DCI. The covering memorandum, which was prepared by the Chairman, was read to the members to inform them of estimated additional support that would be required for the CIA aspects of the NIS program in the event the proposed augmentation of production is approved. Request was made that the proposals of the NIS Committee be scheduled for consideration by the IAC at the 1 February meeting.

4. In response to an inquiry by the Chairman the members reported as follows with respect to action taken by them to inform their respective Chiefs of Intelligence as to the present NIS production situation and the increased capabilities required to meet the proposed augmentation of NIS production:

STATE - Copy of the memorandum for the DCI giving the Committee views has been sent to the Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Intelligence with a covering memorandum from the State member of the NIS Committee.

ARMY - Draft of covering memorandum was discussed. Army member will submit a general summary of the NIS situation in his agency to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, and will inform him orally of the additional production capabilities that will be required under the proposed plan for acceleration of NIS production.

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NAVY - A complete analysis of the NIS situation in Navy, with particular reference to the Committee's proposal for increasing NIS production, has been forwarded to the Director of Naval Intelligence.

AIR FORCE - A report on the NIS situation in Air Force has been prepared and will be submitted to the Director of Intelligence, USAF, as soon as the copy of the memorandum to the DCI is received.

The Chairman commented that when the Army and Air Force members had completed the actions indicated above the entire matter would then rest pending policy decision on the proposals.

5. The Army member reported that comments by Army on the revised Standard Instructions for Chapter II were not ready for submission to the Committee. Further report will be made at the next meeting.

6. The following proposal by the Chapter VII Coordinator was approved:

"1. It is proposed that the schedule for production of NIS Chapter VII for FY 1952 include the following countries in the order of priority listed:

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France

Sweden

Czechoslovakia (all - including that material in NIS 26)

Hungary (all - including that material in NIS 26)

Austria (all - including that material in NIS 26)

Netherlands"

With regard to the proposed allocation of production responsibility for the drafts of the various Chapter VII sections, approval was given to the following:

"Section 70 - CIA is to produce final draft with contributions from Navy and Air Force; guidance from Army and State.

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Section 76 - CIA to produce final draft based upon contributions from other intelligence agencies."

In connection with the proposals for Sections 71 to 75, the Chairman stated that he had conferred with the Chapter VII Coordinator regarding the changes desired as a result of the discussions at the last two meetings (NIS Committee Meeting No. 90, 9 January 1951, and NIS Committee Meeting No. 91, 16 January 1951). It was brought out that since the proposals in question had been approved by the Scientific Intelligence Committee the suggested changes would have to be submitted to that Committee for consideration. The Chairman undertook to prepare a memorandum outlining the changes desired by the NIS Committee and submit it to the SIC for consideration at their next meeting.

7. The Chairman announced that all proposals for the tentative NIS production schedule for FY 1952 had been received in D/B except for the schedule on Supplement V (Petroleum). State agreed to obtain a tentative schedule for this supplement from the Department of Interior and submit it to D/B at an early date. The Chairman suggested, and the members agreed, that with the incorporation of the schedule for Supplement V, further action on the tentative NIS production schedule for FY 1952 would be held in abeyance pending policy decisions on the proposals referred to in Paragraph 4.

8. The Air Force member raised a question regarding the Air Force responsibility for review and coordination of NIS Section 56, which is prepared by O/SO, CIA. Following a discussion of the problems involved, the Chairman undertook to set up a meeting of Air Force and O/SO representatives for the purpose of clarifying the points in question.

9. The State member submitted a proposed revision of the Standard Instructions for NIS Chapter IV. Copies of the proposal were distributed to the members for study and it was agreed that the matter would be brought up for discussion at the next meeting.

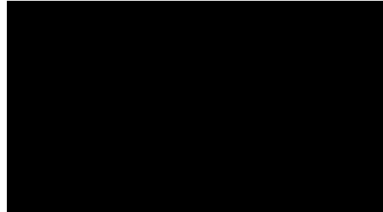
10. The Army member informed the Committee that the Army Map Service wished to be relieved of the storage of JANIS material which is now occupying approximately 1500 sq.ft. of AMS storage space. The Chairman undertook to ascertain if CIA could make other arrangements for the storage of this JANIS reserve stock.

11. Each member requested that his agency be furnished 3 sets of the back tabs for the NIS volume covers. The Chairman informed the members that it was quite probable that only the holders would be furnished so it would be necessary for the agencies to prepare their own inserts.

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12. The next meeting will be held on 30 January 1951 at CIA.
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